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Serial No. 09/932,610) Group Art Unit 1725
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APPARATUS FOR AND) Our Ref.: 9105-80
METHOD OF PRODUCING)
SLURRY MATERIAL)
WITHOUT STIRRING FOR)
APPLICATION IN SEMI-)
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT UNDER 35 U.S.C. §121

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 14, 2002, please consider the following. Additionally, please provide any extension of time that may be necessary and charge any fees which may be due to Deposit Account No. 23-3030, but not to include payment of issue fees.

In response to the Restriction Requirement under 35 U.S.C. §121, the Applicants elect Invention Grouping I, including claims 1-26 and 50-57. The Applicants hereby respectfully request entry of the election to the Restriction Requirement under 35 U.S.C. §121 and issuance of a Notice of Allowability for pending claims 1-26 and 50-57.

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